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STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo every week.

The S.S. AFRICA, 2,632 Tons, 250 H.P., Commander C. C. D. Hutchison, will be despatched, on THURSDAY, the 27th July 1876, at 4 P.M.

	July.		Aug.
Leaves BOMBAY	27	Leaves Madras	11
,, Cochin	29	,, Coconada	14
,, Naracol	Aug 2	,, Vizagapatam	14
,, Alleppy	2	,, Bimlipatam	14
,, Tuticorin	4	,, Calingapatam	15
,, Colombo	5	,, Gopalpore	15
,, Galle	6	,, False Point	16
,, Negapatam	9	Arrive CALCUTTA	18

Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked by the Steamers on this line hence or from intermediate ports for transhipment at Galle to the Messageries Maritime Company's Steamers, which run regularly.

Also for Batavia, Sourabaya, Tjillatjap, Palembang, Pontianak, Atcheen, Padang and Moluccos Islands, to go forward by the Messageries Maritime and Netherlands India S. N. Company's Steamers.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company or other Steamers.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every week to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADER, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, BUSREH, and occasionally at BAHREIN, and MAHOMERAH.

The S.S. UMBALLA, 540 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander R. L. Turner, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 26th July 1876, at 4 P.M.

	July.		Aug.
Leaves BOMBAY	26	Leaves BUSSORAH	14
,, Kurrachee	30	,, Mahomerah	14
,, Muscat	Aug 2	,, Fao	16
,, Bunder Abbas	4	,, Bushire	16
,, Linga	6	,, Linga	20
,, Bharet	7	,, Bunder Abbas	23
,, Bushire	8	,, Guader	25
,, Fao	10	,, Kurrachee	29
,, Mahomerah	10	Arrives BOMBAY	Sept. 1
Arrives BUSSORAH	11		

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, will, during the S.W. Monsoon, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every WEDNESDAY, at 4 P.M., and an Extra Steamer on every SATURDAY, at 2 P.M.

The S.S. UMBALLA, 540 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander R. L. Turner, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 26th July 1876, at 4 P.M.

The S.S. VINGORLA, 577 Tons, 130 H.P., Commander N. R. Sayers, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 29th July 1876, at 2 P.M.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co. Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY VIA SUEZ CANAL.

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA.

THE REGULAR STEAMERS LEAVE GENOA, on the 24th, and BOMBAY on the 1st of each month.

PASSENGERS' RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
Aden	£22	£15	£4	Including Wines & Without food.
Suez	36	22	8	
Port Said	38	24	9	
Messina	50	34	14	
Naples	50	34	14	
Leghorn	50	34	14	
Genoa	50	34	14	
Marseilles	52	35	14-10	

Children under 3 years—free of charge. Children not above 10 years—half fare.

NEXT STEAMERS FROM BOMBAY:—

BATAVIA to sail on TUESDAY, 1st August 1876.
AUSTRALIA to sail on FRIDAY, 1st September 1876.
SUMATRA to sail on SUNDAY, 1st October 1876.

All Steamers of this Company have large First and Second class accommodation; and always carry a Doctor and a Stewardess on board.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For land-books of information, rates of freight, &c, apply to

C. GRONDONA,
Agent Rubattino Steam Navigation Company,
No. 9, Hummum Street.

Bombay, May 1876.

HALL LINE OF STEAMERS.

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL.

S.S. BRANKSOME HALL, to sail on the 19th August,
,, CHILDWALL HALL, ,, 27th September.
,, CITY OF BALTIMORE, ,, 11th October,

THE ATTENTION of INTENDING PASSENGERS is particularly called to these fine steamers, which have been specially constructed for the Bombay Trade. They are all built to steam 12 Knots, and are expected to make the passage either to or from England in about 25 days.

Each steamer will carry a DOCTOR and STEWARDESS.

For Passage, &c., apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 15th July 1876.

ANCHOR LINE—INDIAN SERVICE.

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE following or other First Class Steamers of the ANCHOR LINE will sail from GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL to PORT SAID, SUEZ, and BOMBAY, and from BOMBAY to SUEZ, PORT SAID, GIBRALTAR, and LIVERPOOL:—

Which Steamers.	From Tons H.P.	From Glasgow.	From Liverpool.	From Bombay
MACEDONIA	2272 486	...	...	9th August.
TRINACRIA	2107 434	15th July.	22nd July.	6th Sept.
EUROPA	2277 424	12th Aug.	19th Aug.	4th Oct.
INDIA	2289 500	9th Sept.	16th Sept.	1st Nov.
UTOPIA	2731 678	30th Sept.	7th Oct.	13th Nov.
MACEDONIA	2272 486	14th Oct.	21st Oct.	6th Dec.

And regularly hereafter, further sailings being arranged according to the requirements of the trade.

All the Steamers of this Line carry a SURGEON and STEWARDESS, and have superior First-class accommodation fitted with every convenience.

Passengers and Cargo booked through to New York in connection with the Anchor Line Trans-Atlantic Service.

	FARES FROM BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL.	SUEZ.
FIRST CLASS	Rs. 500	Rs. 320

A reduction of 15 per cent. will be given on Return Passages all who re-embark by Anchor Line Steamer within twelve months of time of landing.

For Passage, Freight, &c., apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co. Agents

Bombay, 8th July 1876.

SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

THE following or other first-class Vessels will be despatched for EUROPE:—

Vessels.	Captains.	Tons.	H.P.	July 1876.	
PEKIN	W. Barratt	3777	600	28th	Southampton.
				August.	
MALWA	P. S. Tomlin	2933	450	4th	Suez, &c.
NEPAUL	H. Methven R. N. R.	3400	600	11th	Southampton.
SUMATRA	J. C. Almond R. N. R.	2468	450	18th	Suez, &c.
MIRZAPORE	A. Parish R. N. R.	3763	600	25th	Southampton.

Passengers are booked to Malta, Gibraltar and Southampton by every Mail. The Southampton Steamers proceed to that port direct; but by the alternate Steamers Passengers change vessels at Suez.

Passengers to Brindisi, Ancona, and Venice are carried by every Steamer, but proceed by rail from Suez to Alexandria.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon, on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M. precisely, on the day of sailing.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 27th June 1876.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On MONDAY, the 24th July 1876, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S.S. ZAMBESI, Captain A. Symons, (2,431 Tons and 370 H.P.), will be despatched as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's Office before noon, on FRIDAY, the 21st July 1876.

GEORGE F. HENRY,
Bombay, 13th July 1876. Superintendent.

LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

S. S. STRATHLEVEN, 2,300 Tons,
C. W. Pearson, Commander,
(To leave about 15th August.)

THIS New and Splendid Steamer will have despatch as above and is expected to make a quick passage. She has been built expressly for the Indian Trade, and has excellent accommodation for Passengers, both on the Main Deck and in a Saloon built on Deck. She will carry a SURGEON and STEWARDESS.

FARE TO LIVERPOOL, Rs. 500.

exclusive of Wines, &c., which can be procured on board at moderate prices. For passage and further particulars, apply to

GRINDLAY, GROOM & Co.
W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 17th July 1876.

NOTICE.—CONSIGNEES per Steamer CLIVE are hereby informed of the ARRIVAL of the Vessel, and REQUESTED to TAKE DELIVERY AT ONCE of their respective GOODS. No CLAIM of any kind will be PAID after the DEPARTURE of the Steamer unless it be previously passed by the Captain.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 20th July 1876.

SALES BY AUCTION.

NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & CO. MILITARY SQUARE, FORT.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 24th instant, Messrs. NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at 2 o'clock P.M., at their Rooms, Military Square, No. 1, the following goods:—

On account of Esmailjee Mahomedally—

563—33-40	6 casks iron wire, each 5 cwt.
H C } A C }	159-66—8 cases sail needles 5 inches each, 10 mille.
,, 167-66—2 cases	do. 4 do.

On account and risk of Abdoolally Dawoodkhan—

H C C } H C & Co } A D }	16-20—3 cases white chapel sharfs each 500 mille to 1-5.
24	99—1 case white ball thread, contg. 200 pieces of 14 oz.

On account and risk of Ebram Fajee Ahamed—

H C	9639-32—2 cases alpaca umbrellas 22 in., 12 ribs each, 20 doz.
,, 9641-42—2 cases	do. do. 26 do. do.
,, 9643—1 case	do. do. do. do. 12 doz.

NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & Co.

Bombay, 24th July 1876.

BENNETT AND COMPANY, No. 4, FORBES STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LIBRARY.

Messrs. BENNETT and Co. have been instructed by the Executors of the Estate of the late Reverend Dr. J. Wilson to sell by Public Auction, at the Bungalow lately occupied by him on Malabar Hill, No. 29, on MONDAY, the 31st instant, the first section, containing the Theological and Religious portion of the valuable Library. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock.

Catalogues to be had on the premises or at the Auctioneer's rooms. The books are now on view.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 24th July 1876.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON AND Co.,

NOTICE is hereby given, that on THURSDAY, the 27th day of July 1876, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTONE & Co., Auctioneers, will, by order of Pestonjee Nusserwanjee Maistry, the Mortgagee, and on account of Nowrojee Hormusjee Billimoria the Mortgagor, sell by Public Auction on the premises the undermentioned immoveable property, viz:—

All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground with the newly built messuage, tenement or dwelling house of five compartments, and consisting of four stories standing thereon, and situate without the Fort of Bombay, in the sub-district of Mazagon, on the eastern side of Copper Smith in Navgar Street, containing by admeasurement 271 square yards or thereabouts, bounded on or towards the south by a vacant piece of ground and the house of Bhaiker Dhakjee, on or towards the North by the property of Framjee Nowrojee, deceased, on or towards the East partly by the godowns and cookroom of the said Framjee Nowrojee deceased, and partly by an old shed lately purchased by the said Nowrojee Hormusjee Billimoria, and partly by the property of Mungal Bagoo, on or towards the West by the said Copper Smith Street, and which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 940 and by the Collector of Municipal Taxes under No. 4, and the said piece of land was before the new building occupied by Curson Naron and others, and the said house is now occupied by the said Nowrojee Hormusjee and others.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Bhapoojee and Thacurdass, Vendor's Attorneys at their office, No. 15, Apollo, or to the undersigned.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co.

Bombay, 24th July 1876.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

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Or at reduced rates per dozen.

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THE FALL in STERLING EXCHANGE compels us to ADVANCE the price of the above remedy to

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THE
"BOMBAY GAZETTE" SHEET ALMANACK.
PRICE—TWO ANNAS EACH.

For Sale at this Office.
THE PRIVATE SOLDIER IN INDIA.
(Revised and Reprinted from the "Bombay Gazette.")
PRICE—ONE RUPEE.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

LOCKE GRAY'S
ORGAN RECITALS,
TOWN HALL, BOMBAY.
THIS DAY, MONDAY, 24TH JULY.

Well-known Amateur Vocalists have kindly promised their valuable assistance.

To commence at 5-30 P.M.

ADMISSION—ONE RUPEE.

HYDRABAD (SIND) WATER WORKS.

APPLICANTS for SUB-ENGINEER'S appointment are informed that it has been FILLED UP.

G. MEREWETHER, Major, R.E.,
Executive Engineer, Bombay Defences.

Mazagon, 22nd July 1876.

THE ALFRED MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the DIVIDEND for the half year ending June 30th, at the rate of SIXTEEN PER CENT. per annum, is PAYABLE on application, and that the Directors are now prepared to receive Tenders for the NEW ISSUE of 150 SHARES.

By Order of the Directors,
GREAVES, COTTON & Co.,
Secretaries and Managers.

Broach, 20th July 1876.

FRERE LAND AND PIER COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Frere Land and Pier Company, (Limited) will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at No. 33, Elphinstone Circle, on MONDAY, the 7th of August 1876, at 3 P.M., for the following purposes:—

1. To receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Account to 31st May 1876.
2. To elect Directors in the place of Cursetjee Nusserwanjee Cama, Esq., and Muncherjee Nowrojee Banajee, Esq., who retire by rotation but are eligible for re-election.
3. To consider whether a Dividend should be declared.
4. To appoint Auditors and fix their remuneration.
5. To accept the offer of a surrender of their lease and payment of Rs. 35,000 made by the Frere Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited, (in Liquidation) in full settlement including arrears of rent, of the Company's claim in respect of the lease to the Frere Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited, such sum of Rs. 35,000 to be invested in or upon Government Securities and held subject to the directions of the Shareholders.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
NURSEY KESSOWJEE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Bombay, 22nd July 1876.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the above Company will be CLOSED from 1st to 7th August next, both days inclusive.

FRERE LAND AND PIER COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Frere Land and Pier Company, Limited, will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 33, Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay, on MONDAY, the 7th day of August next, at 4 P.M., when the following Special Resolution will be proposed:—

That the Directors of the Company be authorised a d empowered to sell by Public Auction or private Contract and in one or more lot or lots as to them may seem advisable at such time or times and subject to such condition as to title or otherwise and for such price or prices as they may think fit, the properties of the Company known as "THE ROCKS" or "BELLAIR," with the appurtenances thereto belonging and all other the land, messuages, tenements and hereditaments, belonging to the Company, situate on the west side of a road known as Gorupdeo Road and at Taune, with power to buy in at any sale and resell and do all other acts and things respecting such sale or sales as they may think fit, and invest the proceeds thereof in or upon guaranteed securities of the Government of India, and to hold the same subject to the directions of the Shareholders.

NURSEY KESSOWJEE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

22nd July, 1876.

IN THE HIGH OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.—Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction.

Suit No. 424 of 1875.

HURIDASS TOOLSIDASS, of Bombay, Hindoo Merchant, residing at Thakersey Lane, within the Fort, in the Island of Bombay ... } Plaintiff.

vs.

PREMJEE NANDOO, of Bombay, Hindoo Merchant, residing at Vithalwady, outside the Fort, in the Island of Bombay ... } Defendant.

PURSUANT to the DECREE made in the above suit bearing date the Twenty-fourth day of August 1875, the following property will be SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION before C. AGNEW TURNER, Esq., Acting Assistant Commissioner of the High Court of Bombay, at the Office in the Court House, on TUESDAY, the 15th day of August 1876, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon. All the estate and interest of the abovenamed Huridass Toolsidass and Premjee Nandoo or either of them in all that piece or parcel of Land with a Bungalow and Chawl or range of Shops standing thereon, situate, lying and being on the Western side of the public road leading to the Government House at Malabar Point, in the sub-district of Bhoolesh war, containing by admeasurement Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-one square yards or thereabouts, assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 403, 405, and by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 303, and bounded on the South by the property of Kevalbai Jaichund, on the West by a small passage, on the East by the said public road, and on the North by a small passage, and which said premises are now in the occupation of Colonel Willoughby and others as tenants.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made at the Office of the said Commissioner and at the Office of Messrs. JEFFERSON and PAYNE, Attorneys for the Plaintiff in Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay.—Dated this 15th day of July 1876.

C. AGNEW TURNER,
Acting Assistant Commissioner.

J. NEUBERG.

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Do.	,,	Pints	,, 11 0
RUDESHEIMER	,,	Quarts	,, 22 0
Do.	,,	Pints	,, 12 0
LIEBFRAUMILCH	,,	Quarts	,, 28 0
Do.	,,	Pints	,, 15 0
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For consumption in Hot Climates no Wines can surpass and very few can equal

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MEDOC VIEUX,
A GOOD, SOUND, WHOLESOME WINE.
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SUPERIOR, FULLER BODY AND BOUQUET.
Per Doz. Pints ..... Rs. 7 8

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DINNER CLARET, OF GOOD BODY AND FLAVOUR.
Per Doz. Pints ..... Rs. 10 0

A trial of the above CHOICE WINES is respectfully invited, and comparison made with similarly quoted Brands of other Houses.

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FROM BUTLER AND SONS,
HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.
Green Seal, Pale, Dry, Superior ..... per doz. Rs. 25
Yellow Seal, Pale, very Dry, Extra Fine. ,, ,, 33

PORT WINE.
OLD, FULL BODIED ..... per doz. Rs. 25

SPARKLING WINES.
&c., &c.
FOR SPECIAL PRICE LISTS APPLY TO
J. NEUBERG.
MEADOW STREET, BOMBAY.

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(Revised and corrected from the latest Gazette of India.)
PRICE—Annas Four.

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No. 2, HORNBY ROW,
Opposite the New General Post Office.

SPECIAL SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS.

THIS DAY, at 7-30 A.M., AUCTION of HORSES at the BYCULLA COMMISSION STABLE.

FOR SALE, a Second-hand 5 Horse Power VERTICAL BOILER. For particulars apply to the MANAGER *Bombay Gazette.*

ALBION PLACE, BYCULLA.—To be Sublet, Double Apartments on the Top Floor (North end,) commanding a magnificent view. Apply to the SECRETARY.

MALABAR HILL.

TO BE LET, for six months, from 11th June to November, a large, well furnished BUNGALOW on Malabar Hill. Apply to "A." *Bombay Gazette* Office.

LOST, on Friday Evening, near Pallonjee's Victoria Hotel, a Black and Tan Terrier Bitch, has on a Collar with the name "BESSIE," married thereon. Any one bringing the above to the Steamer Punjab, B. I. S. N. Co., Mazagon Dockyard, will be rewarded.

CRICKETING AND GENERAL GYMKHANA KIT.

TREACHER AND COMPANY, LIMITED, receive periodical supplies of the above from the leading English Houses, who manufacture the goods, in accordance with T. & Co.'s long and practical experience, specially to meet the requirements of the Indian climate, an advantage presented by no other House in India.

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	Cash.
Superior Treble-seamed Balls ..... each	4 12
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Double do. ..... ,,	10 0
Single do. ..... ,,	9 0
Double Whalebone ..... ,,	10 8
Single Do. ..... ,,	9 8
Match, best selected ..... Rs. 5-8 and ,,	7 0
Presentation with silver plate ..... ,,	16 0

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Best Batting Gloves, Improved Vulcanized Tubular India Rubber ... per pair	5 12
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Guards, White Buck Skin	7 8
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STUMPS, &c.

Stumps, with brass ferrules	6 8
Do. with do. do. and iron points.	7 8
Do. Plain Ash	5 12
Nets for Long Stopping, 6 yards long by 2 high, with plaited poles, strong ropes, with ferrules, &c ..... each	16 0
Measures, Metallic in solid leather cases, from 22 yards upwards, from	7 0
Spikes, Steel and Brass, of superior quality per dozen	1 12
Scoring Books, for 12, 25, and 50 Matches, from	2 8
Do. with do. do. and iron points.	3 0
Lillywhite's Guide, latest Edition	0 14

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Racket Bats, of best quality	12 0
Do. do. Cane Handled	14 0
Do. Balls ..... per dozen	1 10
Do. Gut Strings ..... per set	4 0
Fives Balls ..... per dozen	3 8
Racket Shoes, best quality	10 0
Do. Presses ..... Rs. 6 8 to	10 0

BADMINTON KIT.

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...	£20	21 13 1	do.	Ditto	29
...	100	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co.	1,100
...	41[illegible]	1[illegible]9	do.	Do. New Shares.....	256

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—JULY 19.

Langley, Capt, Bl 45th King's, Hussars, on leave, from Poona.

JULY 22.

Wiseman Clark, Col, Bl 73rd Regt, on sick leave, from Subathu.
Baker, Lieut, Bl 73rd Regt, on sick leave, from Subathu.

DEPARTURES.—JULY 20.

Pitt, Lieut, By R E, from leave, to Poona.

JULY 22.

Pollock, Capt Ma R A, from leave, to Aurungabad.
Blundell, Col, By 3rd Hussars, from leave, to Mhow.
Anderson, Col, By 3rd Hussars, from leave, to Mhow.
Van Cortlandt, Lieut, By, 3rd Hussars, from leave, to Mhow.
Alexander, Lieut, By 3rd Hussars, from leave, to Mhow.
Nasin Capt, By 3rd Hussars, from leave, to Mhow.

JULY 24.

Langtry, Capt, Bl 15th King's Hussars, on leave, to Poona.

BOMBAY ARMY ORDERS.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.
Adjutant General's Office, Head Quarters,
Poona, 22nd July 1876.

With the sanction of Government the following movements in relief of British and Native Troops for 1876-77 are ordered, and will be carried out under detailed instructions which will be issued by the Qr-Mr-General :—

British Infantry.—2nd Foot (1st Battalion) from Ahmednagar, Satara and Bombay to Poona. 15th Foot, from Poona to Deesa, Ahmedabad and Baroda ; 55th Foot, from Aden to England ; 56th Foot, from Kurrachee and Hyderabad to Aden ; 66th Foot, from Poona to Ahmednagar, Bombay and Satara ; 83rd Foot, from Deesa, Ahmedabad and Baroda to Kurrachee and Hyderabad ; 108th Foot, from Mhow to England. A Regt from England to Poona, and A Regt from England to Mhow.

Native Cavalry.—1st Regt from Poona, and Baroda to Neemuch and Nusseerabad ; 2nd Regt from Deesa and Rajkot to Poona and Baroda ; and 3rd Regt from Neemuch and Nusseerabad to Deesa and Rajkot.

Native Infantry.—4th Rifles from Satara, Bombay and Asirgah to Dharwar ; 7th Regt from Rajcot, Dwarka and Deesa to Baroda ; 16th Regt from Mohidpur and Agar to Neemuch ; 12th Regt from Dharwar to Satara, Bombay and Asirgarh ; 22nd Regt from Baroda to Rajkot and Tanna and 24th Regt from Neemuch, Mohidpur and Agar.

With reference to G O C No. 305 of 29th June 1876 the British officers ordered to proceed to join the school of Musketry are to travel expeditiously by mail cart, steamer and rail at the public expense.

Officers will not bring their chargers.

The undermentioned Warrant Officer returned to duty by permission of the Secy of State for India, on the 12th July 1876 :—

Sub-Condr J Cogan, P W Dept.

The undermentioned is reported to have passed the required examination in Hindustani according to the Lower Standard test :—

No. 1640 Private J Hourican, 108th Foot.
No. 3478 Serjt Alfred G Ward, 4th Bde, R A, employed in the Ordnance Dept is transferred to the Unattached List.
No. 5228 Serjt William Piller, G Batty 4th Bde, R A, is appointed to the temporary establishment of the Ordnance Dept.

The following orders are confirmed :—

Mhow Division Order.—Da ed 14th July 1876, directing Lt Col Bruce, 23rd N I, to act as Station Staff Officer at Indore, in addition to his other duties, as a temporary measure and in the absence of any other qualified officer.

18th Regt N I.—Regtl Order, dated 12th July 1876, directing Major Forteath, Wing officer, to officiate as 2nd in Comd ; and Lieut and Adjt Bell, to officiate as Wing Officer, in addition to his other duties as a temporary arrangement and until the arrival of Lieut Penton.

The undermentioned Officers have leave of absence :—

1st Foot (1st Battalion)—Lieut H J Chichester, to remain in Bengal, from 3rd Aug to 15 Oct 1876 on private affairs, in extension of privilege leave.

98th Foot.—Lt-Col G Mansel, to remain at Bombay, from 17th Aug to 16 Oct 1876, on private affairs, in extension of privilege leave.

83rd Foot.—Lieut H C Bond, in extension, to remain at Mount Aboo, from 4th to 17th July 1876, on medical certificate.

108 Foot.—Maj H C Macdonald, to remain in England, from 9th June to 15 Dec 1876, on medical certificate.

Erratum.—In G O C No 417 of the 8th inst for "6th Bde R H A" read "C Bde R H A."

COURT MARTIAL, POONA, 22ND JULY 1876.

At an European General Court Martial held at Camp Deesa, on Saturday the 24th day of June 1876, No 2030 Private Abraham McGinty of H M's 83rd Regt was arraigned on the following charges :—

1st charge—Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, in having at Camp Deesa on or about the month of May 1876, written and sent to H E Lieut Gen Sir Charles Staveley, K C B, C-in-C Bombay Presidency, an anonymous letter received in the C-in-C's Office on 8th May 1876, which letter contained the following passage, namely, "It is nothing but the most absolute necessity that compels me to take this imperative and painful step, to inform your Excellency how things in general are conducted under the regime of our Comdg Officer, viz., Lt Col T S Brown, and of no use frustration is not to be given from the authorities to check his headlong tyranny, something serious, I am afraid, will be the ultimo."

2nd charge—Conduct to the prejudice of good ord-r and military discipline in having at Mount Aboo on or about the month of Oct 1875, used threatening language with reference to Lt Col T S Brown, Comdg 83rd Regt, his superior officer, in substance and to the effect following, that is to say, "I have only two more years to remain. I will put the hat on the Dudh-wallah pet," meaning thereby that he would do an injury to the said Lieut Col T S Brown, Comdg 83rd Regt.

Finding—The Court find that the prisoner No 2030 Private A McGinty, 83rd Regt, is guilty of the 1st charge, not guilty of the 2nd charge.

Sentence—The Court sentence the prisoner No 2030 Private A McGinty, 83rd Regt, to be imprisoned with hard labour for six hundred and seventy two days.

The Court do further sentence him to be deschanged with ignominy from H M's service.

(Signed) G E MAULE, Major,
Royal Artillery President.

Deesa, 4th July 1876.

Confirmed—But the ceremony of drumming out is dispensed with.

(Signed) C STAVELEY, Lt-Genl,
Comdg Bombay Army.

Poona, 18th July 1876.

BENGAL GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

BY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR OF BENGAL.

(*Calcutta Gazette*, July 19.)

REVENUE AND GENERAL DEPARTMENTS.

Mr C W Bolton, Asst Mag and Collr, 2nd grade, second grade, Moorshedabad, is appointed to act until further orders in the second grade, of Asst Comrs, and is posted to Doomka, in the Sonthal Perguunahs.

Mr H M Tobin, Asst Mag and Collr, 2d-Perguunahs, is appointed to act as a Joint Mag and Depy Collr of the second grade, vice Mr C W Bolton.

Mr J Whitmore, Offg Joint Mag and Depy Collr, Doomka, in the Sonthal Perguunahs, is transferred to the Sudder Station of the Dist of Beerbhoom.

Mr William Robert Millar, Asst Mag and Collr of Sarun, is allowed furlough for one year, under Sec 11 (a) of the Civil Leave Code, with effect from the date on which he embarked for England.

Mr Archdale Villiers Palmer, Offg Dist and Sessions Judge, Shahabad, is confirmed in his appointment.

Mr Henry Bruce Simson, Actg Additional Judge of the Dists in the Patna Division, is allowed leave of absence for two months and twenty days, under Sec 12, Chapter VI of the Civil Leave Code, with effect from the date on which he may be relieved.

Mr J C Veasey, Asst Settlement Officer, Chittagong, is appointed to act temporarily, in addition to his other duties, as Mag and Collr of Chittagong.

Mr T M Kirkwood, c s, is posted to the Sudder Station of the 24-Perguunahs as an Extra Asst Comr of the 1st grade, on his being relieved of his present appointment as Actg Mag and Collr of Chittagong.

The Rt Hon the Secy of State for India has been pleased to grant to Mr R M Waller, c s, an extension of leave for four months on medical certificate.

Mr Thomas Edward Ravenshaw, Comr of the Orissa Division, is allowed leave for three months, under Sec 21, Chapter VI of the Civil Leave Code, with effect from the 15th Aug next, or any subsequent day within one month of that date on which he may avail himself of it.

Sir William James Herschel, Bart, Offg Mag and Collr, Hooghly, is appointed to be Comr of the Orissa Division and as Supt of the Tributary Mehals, Cuttack, during the absence, on leave, of Mr T E Ravenshaw, or until further orders.

The following entitlements will have effect from the date of Col Pughe's resignation of his appointment of Inspr-Genl of Police :—

Mr Herbert Hankey to be Inspr-Genl of Police.

Mr Warren Hastinge D'Oyly to be Mag and Collr of the first grade.

Mr William Kemble to be Inspr-Genl of Jails, but to continue to act as Mag and Collr of the first grade in Purneah.

Mr Alexander Mackenzie to be Mag and Collr of the second grade.

Mr Robert Henry Wilson to be Mag and Collr of the third grade, but to continue to officiate in the second grade.

Mr Henry Boyd Beadon, now Asst Inspr of Registration Offices, but to continue to officiate as Senior Supt of Survey.

Mr James Crawford to be Under-Secy to be Govt of Bengal.

Mr Charles Edward Buckland is appointed to be Asst Secy to the Govt of Bengal, with effect from the date of Mr. Cotton's appointment to be Junior Secy, but to continue, on deputation, as Private Secy to the Lt-Govr.

Mr James Austin Bourdillon, on his return from privilege leave to officiate as Asst Secy until further orders.

Mr Herbert Hope Risley, ɴ.ᴀ, Asst Magr, now Offg as Asst Secy, on being relieved by Mr J ⅄ Bourdillon, is posted to Mianspore.

Mr Charles Armstrong Fisher, Asst Supt of Police, Dinagepore, is allowed leave to appear before the Medical Board at the Presidency.

Mr R A D Bignell, Asst Supt of Police, Hazareebagh, is allowed leave of absence for two months and eleven days, under Sec 21, Chapter VI of the Civil Leave Code, with effect from the 10th inst, or any subsequent day on which he may avail himself of it.

Mr R F Guise, Offg Asst Supt of Police, Rungpore, is transferred to the Dist of Bhaugulpore.

The Rev W H Bray, Chaplain, St John's Church, Calcutta, has been allowed leave for three months, under Sec 12, Supplement E of the Civil Leave Code, with effect from the 17th inst, or any subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Dr G W Bell is appointed to act as Civil Medical Officer of Poorea during the absence, on deputation, of Dr J Jackson, or until further orders.

Surgn Henry Walter Hill, Offg Civil Surgn of Pooree, is appointed to act as Civil Surgn of Monghyr during the absence, on deputation, of Dr H B Purves, or until further orders.

Surgn Francis Cobham Nicholson, ᴍ.ʙ. Offg Civil Surgn of Monghyr, is appointed to act until furth-r orders as Civil Surgn of Hooghly.

Mr W H E Wade, Steward of the Presidency General Hospital, is allowed leave for 42 days, under Sec 21, Chapter VI of the Civil Leave Code.

Mr C M Armstrong, Sub Depy Opium Agent, Lucknow, in the Benares Agency, is allowed leave for two months and fourteen days, under Sec 21, Chapter VI of the Civil Leave Code, with effect from such date after the 7th June 1876 as he availed himself of it.

Mr R W Nicholson, Asst Sub-Depty Opium Agent, Fatehgurh, is appointed to act as Sub-Depty Opium Agent, Lucknow, during the absence, on leave, of Mr C M Armstrong, or until further orders, with effect from the date on which he joined the appointment.

Mr R Currie is appointed to act as Asst Sub-Depty Opium Agent, Fatehgurh, during the absence, on leave, of Mr R W Nicholson, or until further orders, with effect from the date on which he joined that appointment.

Maj J G Forbes, Supdig Engr, Soane Circle, is appointed to be a Comr of the Municipality of Arrah, under Sec 15 of the Bengal Municipal Act of 1876.

HIGH COURT.—24TH JULY.

(Before the Honourable SIR CHARLES SARGENT.)

For Judgment.

170-75—Prercot and Winter—Dayabhoy Tribhovundass vs Hajirabai widow—Fletcher and Smith.

LONG CAUSES.

182-76—Pestonjee K—Mahomed Khan Atmah Khan vs Abdool Sitar Hajee Mahomed—Crawford and B—Part heard.

213-76—J C Cama—Parwatibai, widow vs Custoor Sails and others—Jefferson and Payne.

227-76—Jamardhan and G—Dinshaw Framjee Wadia vs Harrishunker Bhaskerjee—In Person.

92-76—In Person—Luxumeebai widow vs Gannesh Pandoo—Shamrao P.

233-76—Crawford and B—Joosuf Hajee Ahmed vs Ally Abdoola—Jefferson and Payne.

234-76—Ardaseer Framjee—Bachoobai, widow vs Nowrojee Edulji Bhagel—N N Kothare.

235-76—Jefferson and Payne—William C Lester and another vs Henry R C Moyle.

238-76—H Bicknell—Sarabai widow vs Daya Sunda and others.

648-75—Shamrao P—Rao Bahadoor Shree Crishna vs Mungesh Raghoonath—P Kavasjee.

480-75—Macfarlane and Pollock—Morarjee Tocun and others vs Sodhe Vaikount Appa—Lynch and Tobin.

622-75—Prescott—Hajee Gozee Jan Mahmed vs Alfred Charles Cook.

61-76—Craigie, Lynch and Owen—Naserwanjee Maneckjee vs Hajee Currim Malock—In Person.

83-76—Tyabjee and Sayani—Gouldass Jugmohundass vs Ladcorebai, widow.

(Before the Honourable MR. JUSTICE BAYLEY.)

LONG CAUSES.

520-74—Tyabjee and Sayanee—Ayeshabebee, widow, vs Shaboodin Hafiz Nurmoodeen—Prescott and Wilkins.

146-76—Macfarlane and Pollock—Dewjee Ramjee vs The Albert Mills Co—Hearn and Cleveland—Part heard.

39-76—Mr Smale—Jetha Amerchund and others vs Ebrahim Moosajee—M H Khan.

(Before the Honourable MR. JUSTICE GREEN.)

LONG CAUSE.

443-75—Balkrishna and B—Moonjraj Maharaj and others vs Vumulchund Furtabhai—Craigie Lynch and O.—Part heard.

(Before the Honourable MR. JUSTICE PINHEY.)

For Investigation under section 305 of Act VIII of 1859.

In person—Jeevan Padman vs Krishnakishna Khulfashoy.

LONG CAUSES.

202-75—In person—Cowasjee Ardaseer Furdoonjee vs James Bapty—Jefferson and Payne—Part heard.

338-75—Jeejeebhoy Bahie—The Land Mortgage Bank vs Almas Fam Mathoojee—Balkrishna and B—Part heard.

571-75—Mr Fletcher—Sondrabai, widow vs Veera Ooka—Tyabjee and Sayani.

570-75—A Framjee—Ramnath Chintoba vs Veera Ooka—Tyabjee and S

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS FOR THE BOMBAY GAZETTE.

SATURDAY'S "GAZETTE OF INDIA."

SIMLA, 22D JULY.

In the *Gazette of India* of to-day, Mr. Bell, Superintendent of Wayand Works Rajpootana State Railway, is appointed Officiating Engineer-in-Chief on the Scindia State Railway during the absence on leave of Colonel Mead.

Good service pensions are conferred on Colonel Thuillier, Surveyor-General, and Colonel Charles Shakespear, of the Madras Staff Corps, in the room of Surgeon-General Sir J. Brown, retired, and Colonel J. MacGregor, who has succeeded to Colonel's allowances.

Captain Thomas, of the 25th Foot, is appointed Brigade-Major on the establishment, *vice* Major Bellamy, resigned.

Messrs. Sherman and Stone, Assistant Engineers, are transferred from the Central Provinces and Nizam's State Railway, respectively, to British Burma for employment in the Railway Branch.

Lieutenant Roberts, of the 72nd Foot, succeeds Captain Rind as Adjutant of the Calcutta Volunteers.

Mr. Galway, on Director of State Railways' Establishment, is posted to Mooltan district, Indus Valley Railway, with the temporay rank of Superintending Engineer, third grade.

Dr. Colling officiates as Superintendent and Dr. Haig Assistant Superintendent on the medical staff of the Persian Telegraph during the absence of Dr. Baker.

Long lists of promotions in Military Works and Railway Branch of the Public Works Department are published.

Heavy rain has fallen here since yesterday: about thirty-two inches have been registered up to date.

The Viceroy's Legislative Council meets next Thursday.

RUSSIA AND YARKAND.

LAHORE, 22ND JULY.

It is reported that the Russians have concluded a treaty with Yarkand, excluding English tea and goods from that country; and that a clause is inserted that Russian traders only should be admitted to Yarkand.

Railway communication is re-opened.

POONA HUNT RACES.

POONA, 23RD JULY.

The Hunt Races were run on Saturday.

THE TALLY HO STAKES.

King's Own	1

PONY RACE.

Kerosine	1

POONA HUNT STAKES.

Pirate	1
Polo	2

PONY RACE.

Toby	1

Weather was fine and the attendance brilliant.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

A PARLIAMENTARY BLUE-BOOK ON THE EASTERN QUESTION.

LONDON, 22ND JULY.

A Parliamentary Blue-Book consisting of 544 despatches relating to the Eastern Question has just been published. It shows that the intentions of Russia are pacific, and that that country is anxious throughout to avert war and to act in concert with the other European Powers, also that Russia desired to maintain the political *statu quo*. Turkey suggested forming the insurgent provinces into a tributary State. Lord Derby persisted in his refusal to intervene one-sidedly, and instead of suppressing the rebellion, he would have order restored before applying any scheme of reforms.

THE WAR IN TURKEY—FURTHER FIGHTING.

A Servian despatch states that the Turks yesterday attempted to drive the Olimpic troops across the Drina; they, however, were unsuccessful. After obstinate fighting the Servians refused to cross the river and retired to Belina. Other reports of the same engagement declare that the Servians were beaten.

Recent heavy rains retard the movements of the main armies.

SPEECH OF THE MARQUIS OF SALISBURY.

LONDON, 23RD JULY.

The annual distribution of prizes at the Cooper's Hill Indian Civil Engineering College took place on Saturday. The Marquis of Salisbury, who presided on the occasion, said that the silver panic was made to appear darker than was really necessary, but it may be the means of increasing the necessity for greater economy in future Public Works—a branch of expenditure which, as it swelled when the Treasury was full, should be retrenched when it was empty; economy was the very centre of our power in India; our rule was accepted patiently because of the freedom which those under it enjoyed from excessive imposts or capricious exactions. His Lordship dwelt on the influence of individual opinion among the members of the services in India owing to their limited number. There was one drawback which had a tendency to increase the distance between the governing and the governed—from conversation which he had had with several gentlemen who were on the staff of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales during his recent visit to India they had brought home a painful impression that there was a coldness between the two races; he urged, therefore, the necessity of welcoming the entry of natives into the Covenanted Service rather than grudging them that privilege.

GENERAL IGNATIEFF.

CONSTANTINOPLE, 22ND JULY.

General Ignatieff, the Russian Ambassador, has been granted furlough.

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY COTTON REPORT.

LONDON, 21ST JULY, NOON.

Total Week's Sales of Cotton....	48,000	bales.
Do. Amount forwarded.....	5,000	do.
Do. Week's Sales of Surats....	9,000	do.
Do. Amount forwarded.....	1,000	do.
Do. Week's Imports of Cotton..	24,000	do.
Do. do. Surats....	15,000	do.
Do. Stock of Cotton	995,000	do.
Do. do. Surats	124,000	do.
Do. do. Cotton in London..	46,500	do.

Surats have been in moderate inquiry during the week.

LONDON, 21ST JULY, AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed steady; Surats steady.

The London Cotton Market has been quiet but steady.

Fair Dhollera.....	4 3/16d.

The Manchester Market has been steady.

7 lbs. Shirtings	6.
8½ lbs. do.	7.
40s Mule Twist	0-9½.
3 per cent. Consols for account	96¾
5 per cent. French Rentes, 1872....	106½
Bar Silver	49½

The sum of £76,000 has been paid into the Bank of England.

WEATHER REPORTS.—23RD JULY.

(MADRAS TIME.)

CANNANORE, 5.30 P.M.—Weather showery, wind S.W., thermometer 78, barometer 29·84. Fall of rain 1 inch 28 cents.

CARWAR, 5 P.M.—Weather showery, wind S. S. E. 2 to 3, thermometer 79, barometer 29·92. Fall of rain 1 inch 1 cent.

MANGALORE, 8 A.M.—Weather cloudy, wind N. W., S. W. W., thermometer max. 79, min. 78.

VINGORLA, 5 P.M.—Weather cloudy, wind S. S. W., thermometer 85. Fall of rain 34 cents.

STEAMER REPORT.

GALLE, 22ND JULY, 7.36 A.M.

French steamer Sind; from Aden, arrived.

It has been decided not to hold a camp of exercise in the Bombay Presidency during the ensuing cold weather.

The Directors of the Bank of Bengal reduced their minimum charges for money on Thursday one per cent. all round.

It is rumoured at Simla that it has been decided that a camp of exercise, on a small scale, will be held at Peshawur during the ensuing cold season.

Major Fletcher, R. A., was, a Calcutta paper states, released from arrest at Nasirabad on the 14th instant, and has returned to his duty. There has been heavy rain at the station and in the surrounding districts.

The *Khair Khwah Alum*, a vernacular paper published at Delhi, reports the discovery of a valuable treasure trove on the banks of the Kharee Nuddee, in the excavations made in the railway works in progress between Gwalior and Agra.

In these dull days a bad joke is a good one, especially when it strikes home like the following, which we find in the *Madras Mail*:—"Dr. Myline, the new Diocesan of Bombay, shows so marked a taste for highly coloured vestments, that his non-ritualistic clergy may be excused if they learn to speak of him as Bishop Mylnnery."

Last Friday an unpleasant affair occurred on the Bangalore Race Course between Captain McTaggart and Mr. Cousens, the jockey, the cause being that the latter was found timing Captain McTaggart's horse, which was running at a trial gallop. The *Examiner* says that high words followed, and the circumstance has furnished a case for the lawyers, Mr. Sydney Smith, pleader, being engaged by the jockey.

The Viceroy, who draws Rs. 25,000 per mensem, or Rs. 3,00,000 per annum, is permitted to remit his savings home at the rate of 2s. 3d. the rupee. He probably can save two-thirds of his pay, or Rs. 2,00,000 a year. The difference in the equivalent in sterling of this sum at 1s. 7d. and at 2s. 3d. would amount to £6,666, and for five years to £33,333. The ryot has the privilege of paying this interesting Viceregal "extra."

The Delhi correspondent of the Lahore paper writes that on a criminal prosecution instituted in the Delhi Court, at the instance of His Highness the Maharaja of Jaipur, the editor of the native newspaper entitled the *Khair-Khwah Alum* was arrested on a warrant issued by the Magistrate of Delhi, and subsequently released on heavy bail; that eventually, on trial, the editor was acquitted of the charges brought against him and set free.

The *N.-China Herald* of the 24th June writes as under:—"There have been all kinds of rumours during the last few days, of preparations for moving British troops to China; but we know of no further foundation for them than the certainty that great irritation is felt at the termination of the Yunnan enquiry. We only trust that Sir Thomas Wade is not being lured into a repetition of the endless negotiations of last autumn, but will state firmly what he wants, and insist briefly upon its concession."

The rumour of the appointment of Mr. White, late of the Bombay Bar and Advocate General to the bench of the High Court in Calcutta, is put forward confidently by a Calcutta correspondent of a contemporary, who writes:—"Mr. Justice Phear has returned from his three months' leave, and has resumed his duties in the High Court. He takes, however, a final farewell of India next month. He is to be succeeded by Mr. White, a barrister of some experience, who practised for many years in Bombay, and was for some time the Advocate General of that Presidency. I conclude the new judge will not reach Calcutta till after the poojah holidays."

Last year the Lucknow correspondent of the Mussoorie paper gave an account of a new invention having for its main object the more economical working of punkahs as applied to railway carriages, steam ships, and bungalows. These punkahs, Cooke's patent, have been for some time in use on the Oudh and Rohilcund lines with marked success. The then Commander-in-Chief, Lord Napier of Magdala, drew the attention of the Government of India to these punkahs, and after a series of experiments, which were deemed highly satisfactory, the Government of India have finally passed an order for their general adoption in barracks.

Notwithstanding the several salutary measures adopted by the Customs authorities for the prevention of smuggling, and for the detection of offences to evade payment of the Customs dues, the number of cases of the above nature which annually occur, according to recent returns, appears to be pretty large. We read in a Calcutta paper that the amount of rewards granted to informers, whether they be Government employés or outsiders, may be estimated at upwards of Rs. 15,000 per annum. Instances have occurred in which highly paid officers in the Customs Department have received rewards greater than the amount of their salaries. The system of granting rewards to Customs officers as informers for detecting smuggling, whose duty is to prevent it, does not appear to be highly appreciated or to be sound in principle.

The *Pioneer* makes a guess that Sir A. Hamilton Gordon, fourth son of the late Earl of Aberdeen, is likely to be the next Governor of Bombay, when Sir P. Wodehouse's term of office expires in April next. The Allahabad paper adds that Sir Arthur Gordon "was very popular" in all his appointments. The last he held was Governor of Mauritius, where, if we mistake not, he was extremely *un* popular, so much so that the people remonstrated with the Colonial Secretary about him; and besides he absented himself from his duties in a most eccentric manner for several months, taking a cruise to nobody knew where. He is now Governor of the Fiji Islands, an honour which no one else would accept. To send such a man to Bombay would be to sacrifice a good appointment in India to party purposes.

The resources of the Godavery district in paddy and rice appear to be very great. At Coconada large ships have lately been loaded with thousands of bags of both rice and paddy for Madras, and every steamer takes away to the same port large quantities every week. The Asia, which arrived there on Thursday week, took away 16,000 bags to Madras, and there were then one or two French vessels in the roads loading for Cochin with the same grain. Small quantities are being shipped for Vizagapatam and Bimly, and it is said that the ship St. Lawrence, which left during the week with upwards of 16,000 bags, is likely to be chartered again from Coconada to Madras for another cargo of grain. These exports are the out-turn of last year's crop, but it is thought that this year the cultivation has been thrown back for the want of early rains.

The mail steamer from China arrived yesterday afternoon. The latest dates are Shanghai 24th June and Singapore 8th July. In the *Straits Times* we read that the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the circumstances of the murder of Mr. Birch is now holding sittings in Perak; Datu Sagor who has been charged with an active complicity in that crime was conveyed from Singapore a prisoner, a few days before the mail left, for the purpose of hearing the evidence which will be adduced against him.—Regarding the broken cable the same paper says that the Agnes which is now awaiting a favourable opportunity near the Nicobars of making an effort to buoy the cable is unfortunate in having had weather to contend against, and it is doubtful if she will be successful in her mission for a long time. She s. s. Edinburgh was despatched from Sydney to Port Darwin on the 14th June to effect the repairs of the Australian cable, but nothing has been heard from her.

With reference to the case of the ex-Dewan of Bhawulpore, which will shortly be laid before the Viceroy, we have been informed, the Calcutta *Daily News* says, that a subsistence allowance of Rs. 600 a year was granted to him by the Government of India, to be paid out of the revenues of that native State, while residing at Benares. According to the statements in his memorial, the ex-Dewan denies the existence of any real cause of misunderstanding with the late Rana. The memorialist also observes that he was a staunch friend of the deceased Chief, and was always willing to effect improvements in the State to the satisfaction of the British Government, but obstacles were sometimes thrown in his way by one who had no concern with the State affairs, and who had, at that time, succeeded in winning the Rana. The memorialist also States that he was in fact a victim to the machinations of a female favourite, who was then under the protection of His Highness, and that these statements will be fully borne out by a reference to the widow Ranee, and even to the present minor Rana. Under these circumstances, the petitioner solicits a reconsideration of his case, and permission to return to his family and his estates.

The Lahore paper publishes the following items of news from the Punjab frontier and Central Asia. They should be considered to be open to correction:—

A large number of mules, sent by the Ameer of Cabul, have arrived at Peshawur; and it is rumoured that they are intended for the carriage of a subsidy of 20 lakhs of rupees which, it is asserted, the Ameer has demanded from the British Government! Another story regarding them is that they are to take back goods which the Ameer has purchased from Seth Ala Buksh, merchant.

Through the good offices of Arbab Abdool Majeed Khan of Akal a "jirga" or deputation of about 100 persons from the Afreedee tribes of the independent hills were induced to have an interview with the Deputy Commissioner, who remonstrated with them in regard to their recent raids at Shekhon and other places, and endeavoured to bring them to peaceful and reasonable terms. The Afreedees did not, however, evince any desire to fall in with the Deputy Commissioner's views and abate their present hostile policy. Indeed, they plainly indicated that, while they would agree to keep the Kohat Pass open op the former terms, they would resist to the last any attempt to make a better road or to take and keep open the pass by force of arms.

From Kohat it is reported that the Afreedees are keeping the Bungush tribe of that valley and the Government employés in [a continued state of alarm and preparation, and have even proceeded so far as to fire long shots at the Deputy Commissioner.

The Russian Government is reported to have issued a stringent and general order to the merchants and traders of Kokand, Smarcand and other places within their recent conquests, directing that they shall, within six months, dispose of all the English calicoes, lace goods and broad cloths, in their possession, and shall for the future refrain from importing English goods into Russian territory.

The following is the *Pioneer's* account of the latest doings of Major Sandeman and his Khelat mission:—"Major Sandeman's negotiations with His Highness the Khan of Khelat are, we hear, progressing well. Jam Ali from Lus Beyla, together with Sirdars Gour Khan, Ibraim Khan, Char Khan and others of Jalawan, joined the camp at Mustung on the 5th instant. The Khan and all his chiefs are now assembled, so that if a settlement is really to be made between them it must soon be brought about. Should the Khan and his chiefs come to terms and observe them, the administration of Khelat will cease to be a cause of anxiety for the present, and we shall have secured the good-will of all parties in that State—a result which could hardly have been obtained by more direct interference. Major Sandeman appears to have acted with great judgment and caution in conciliating the hostile factions, and has, as far as we have learnt, fully justified the confidence with which we regarded his appointment to head the Khelat mission. Colonel Munro, Commissioner of Derajat, returned to his head-quarters at Dera Ismail Khan some time ago, but he continues to form the medium of communication between the Government and Major Sandeman. The date of the return of Major Sandeman and his escort to Jacobabad will, we presume, depend upon the length of time it may take to conclude a definite adjustment of the differences between the Khan and his chiefs."

On Saturday last at the High Court, Crown Side, before a full Court consisting of the Chief Justice, Sir Charles Sargent, and Mr. Justice Green, Mr. Inverarity raised an important point regarding the constitution of juries for the trial of natives in the Presidency towns. The prisoners, for whom Mr. Inverarity appeared, Lullgobhoy Gopaldas and others, were tried at the last Criminal Sessions for giving false evidence in a judicial proceeding and abetment of the offence, and were, on conviction by the jury, sentenced by Mr. Justice Green to be imprisoned for two years each. Before the names of the jurors were called, Mr. Inverarity had applied that the jury might be so constituted as to consist of a majority of natives, contending that the right of a native to be so tried was impliedly conferred by section 37 of the High Court Criminal Procedure Act. Before sentence was pronounced, the judge, on the application of counsel, reserved the question whether the jury was properly constituted; and the question was argued on Saturday. The Chief Justice, with whom Sir Charles Sargent concurred, held that, if the Legislature intended as the counsel for the prisoners contended, it had not said what it intended. With regard to Europeans, it said in section 35 that, if a European British subject required to be tried by a mixed jury, the majority of the jurors shall consist of Europeans or Americans, or both; but there was no similar express provison made for natives. Section 37 was not applicable, as it made a special provision for a special case. The full Court, therefore, refused to disturb the conviction and sentences.

The *Indian Daily News* makes the following remarks on the resolution of the Viceroy on Fuller's case, especially in reference to his censure of the High Court:—"We have already seen that the offence of which Fuller was guilty resulted quite accidentally from a slight exercise of personal violence. Looking at the act itself, the Governor General in Council cannot say whether Mr. Fuller would have been convicted of a more serious offence, such as that of causing grievous hurt, or that of culpable homicide, had he been charged with it.' Happily, the Governor General in Council is not required to decide this important question. His duties, as defined by law, are of a different kind, and may be said to require a different kind of training. But there are properly appointed Courts of Justice in India for the decision of questions of this kind; and when this particular question, which has baffled Lord Lytton, came before the High Court in Allahabad, that tribunal decided that the sentence pronounced on Mr. Fuller, 'though perhaps lighter than the High Court would have been disposed to inflict under the circumstances, was not especially open to objection.' When his Lordship becomes a little more familiar than he seems to be with the ordinary processes of justice, or surrounds himself with more intelligent advisers, he will perceive that, in recording an opinion such as that which we have now quoted, the High Court at Allahabad practically decided that the man Fuller would *not* 'have been convicted of a more serious offence, such as that of causing grievous hurt, or that of culpable homicide, had he been charged with it.' Under these circumstances the Viceroy's doubtless well-meant observation that 'it was the plain duty of the magistrate to have sent Mr. Fuller to trial for the more serious offence' strikes us as being rather wanting in point. In fact the observation illustrates in a forcible way the danger of allowing even healthy feelings to run away with us in the middle of a consideration of a purely legal question. The law being what it is, its lawful expositors in the High Court are on the whole rather safer guides to its meaning than the generous sentiments of an excited nobleman, from whose memory the echoes of the Prince of Wales's recent libels on Anglo-Indian Society have not perhaps yet died away; and though Lord Lytton may obtain golden opinions in England by what he has done on this occasion, we feel bound to point out that portion of his action which amounts to an assumption of judicial authority, is not only unwarranted, and a gratuitous slight to the High Court, but is also calculated to disturb the even flow of justice in India. Lord Lytton can have no serious reason for supposing that the Judges of the Allahabad High Court are wanting either in proper feeling or in judicial capacity. When, therefore, after giving the result of a trial the benefit of such a careful consideration as it is no slight to Lord Lytton to say that he, with a mind untrained to law, is simply incompetent to give it, the High Court decides that the sentence passed by the magistrate is not open to any special objection, Lord Lytton simply insults the High Court when he decides that the magistrate has committed a serious offence, and punishes him for it in what must be seen by every person of calm judgment to be an outburst of diseased self-consciousness. 'The Governor General views Mr. Leeds' conduct with grave dissatisfaction. He should be so informed and should be severely reprimanded for his great want of judgment and judicial capacity.' All this is only slapping the face of the High Court under the shelter of administrative action, which the dignity of the High Court will not allow it to criticise, even if it could do so. But the country looks on at the grave scandal and witnesses a serious blow inflicted on the administration of justice.

BOMBAY.

Mr. Byramjee Jeejeebhoy, C. S. I., yesterday left Bombay for Poona to spend the rest of the monsoon months in the Deccan.

Mr. Francis Mathew, Agent and Chief Engineer of the Bombay and Baroda Railway, had a fall from his horse on Saturday evening while ridiog out on the Esplanade. Luckily he was not seriously hurt.

Robbing a Girl of an Ornament.—On Saturday, at the Fort Police Court, a Hindoo, named Luximon Dhurma, was convicted by Mr. C. P. Cooper, the Senior Magistrate, of stealing from the person of a girl, named Suckoo, a gold neck ornament, valued Rs. 16, the property of the mother of the girl, named Cassee, and was sentenced to be flogged fifteen stripes with a rattan.

Cruelty to Animals.—Abraham Dossa, an oil-presser, was fined Rs. 10 on Saturday last, by Mr. C. P. Cooper, at the Fort Police Court, for torturing his bullock. Also a cart-driver, named Sonoo Abbas, was fined Rs. 3 on the same day by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, at the Girgaum Police Court, for a similar offence. The former was charged by Mr. Smith and the latter by Mr. Nutty, both agents to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Deaths from Snake-bite.—A Coroner's inquest was held on Saturday at Breach Candy Road on view of the body of Doolajee Dadoo. The deceased was about 28 years of age, and expired a few hours after he had been bitten by a venomous snake on the second toe of his right foot while crossing over a rubble stone wall on the previous evening that separated his compound from an adjoining oart. Upon the evidence adduced, the following verdict was returned by the jury:—"That the death of the deceased was caused by snake-bite."—Another Hindoo lad was bitten by a snake at Parell on Saturday morning, and was removed to the J. J. Hospital for treatment, but he expired an hour after his admission.

Release of C. G. Lacey.—This person, as he was leaving the Fort Police Court on Friday last, after the hearing of the case against Mr. Arbuthnot, C. S., was arrested by a Small Cause Court bailiff. The arrest was evidently illegal; but the Senior Magistrate, to whom a representation was made, declined to interfere. Lacey was then taken to the Small Causes Court, but the judges had left; and he was therefore detained in custody for the night. On Saturday forenoon he appeared at the Small Causes Court, before Mr. O'Leary, who, after hearing the circumstances under which the man had been taken up, held that the arrest was illegal, inasmuch as Lacey was really in the hands of the Court and ordered him to be released.

The Hindoo Swindled of Rs. 10,000.—This case was called on for hearing on Friday last at the Girgaum Police Court, before Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, in which Ramsing Mungulsing, Jadowjee Narayen, Nurrotumdas Purshotumdas, Bhanjee Cullianjee, Narayen Nurrotum, and Dadabhhj] Framjee stood charged with swindling a Hindoo, named Inderjee Narronjee, of a sum of Rs. 10,000. Mr. Hormusjee A. Bennet appeared for the prosecution; all the prisoners, except No. 5, were represented by counsel. The Magistrate, after taking the evidence of two witnesses for the prosecution, dismissed the charge, as their statements were of such a conflicting nature that his Worship deemed it prudent to waste no further time of the Court in the matter.

The Town Hall for the City of Poona.—We understand that the Town Hall for the city of Poona, which is about to be built, and the site chosen is "Oozoor Pyga" of Sangleekur, situated in Suddasew Pait, in the city of Poona. The site selected is quite out of the way altogether as Suddasew Pait is situated near "Lukdee Pool," which is at the end of the city. The Town Hall should be built in a certain position for the convenience of the Cantonment residents, as well as those of the city, for we hear that several native gentlemen of the Camp have subscribed towards the Town Hall, and we therefore hope that the managing committee will well consider the subject before they commence with the building on the Sangleekur's Pyga. The proper place for such public building is in Rastias Pait which from its central position, should have the preference. There is also still another spot to choose in the large vacant ground adjoining the old Civil Hospital, and belonging to Dajee Sahib Ghorepooray's family, and which we urge on the managing committee to secure, and to abandon the idea of building the City Town Hall in Suddasew Pait.—*Poona Observer.*

Death of Poona Staff Surgeon.—It is with deep and sincere regret we have to announce the death of Surgeon Major John Mennie, the Staff Surgeon of Poona, at the Presidency last Thursday morning. He had been for some time past suffering from liver complaint, and only left Poona last Tuesday for Bombay, with the view of proceeding to England by Friday's mail steamer. The melancholy news of his death was conveyed to Poona by telegram, and in compliance with his express desire his body was brought to Poona and interred last evening in the Protestant cemetery with military honors. H. M.'s 26th Regiment N. I., under the command of Colonel A. Becher, furnished the band and firing party; and the coffin which was placed on gun carriage, was followed by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, Major General Lord Mark Kerr, and all officers off duty; as also a great number of natives—Parsees predominating—of all castes and creeds. Dr. Mennie was specially selected by the late Dr. Stovell, the then Inspector General for the Staff Surgeoncy of Poona, on the 22nd February 1864, and with the exception of a short furlough to England, has all along held the appointment. He was very popular, and had a most extensive practice both amongst Europeans and natives who no doubt will feel his loss much.—*Id.*

Major Moray's Case.—Yesterday the hearing of Major Moray's case was resumed by Colonel G. C. Evezard, the Cantonment Magistrate. His Worship after further examining the accused No. 1, Sunjeewan, and Gunputrow, the Mahratteo petition writer, a witness for the prosecution. His Worship charged accused No. 1, Sunjeewan, the moochee, under section 211 of the Indian Penal Code, and accused No. 2, John Oriental King, for aiding and abetting, under sections 109 and 211 of the Indian Penal Code. Charge:—I George Charless Evezard, Magistrate 1st Class and J. P., do hereby declare that there is made against Sunjeewan wullad Bheema the charge that he, on or about the 19th of April 1876, in the Cantonment of Poona, with intent to cause injury to Major John Crippen Dawson Sydney Moray, appeared before the Assistant Cantonment Magistrate, and there falsely charged the said Major John Crippen Dawson Sydney Moray with cheating; he then said Sunjeewan at the time well knowing the said Major Moray had not cheated, and that there was no just and lawful ground for such charge, and that he has thereby committed an offence punishable under section 211 of the Indian Penal Code and within my cognizance. Against John Oriental King the charge that he abetted the making of a false charge by Sunjeewan wullad Bheema; which was committed in consequence of the abetment, and that he has thereby committed an offence punishable under sections 109 and 211 of the Indian Penal Code and within my cognizance.—G. C. Evezard, 1st Class Magistrate and J. P.—Poona, 21st July 1876.—*Id.*

Assault.—On Saturday Mr. C. J. Houston, the Headmaster of the Diocesan School, appeared before Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, at the Girgaum Police Court, to answer a charge of assault preferred against him by Ramjee Wittoo, a peon in the service of Mr. P. Hamilton, undertaker and sculptor. The complainant appeared in person, and Mr. Smith (of Messrs. Fletcher and Smith) appeared for the defence. The complainant said that he presented a bill to defendant from his master, Mr. Hamilton, for hire of carriages; after a short time defendant's servant requested complainant to go away, stating that his master will send an answer. Complainant declined to go away without the bill, as it was signed by Mr. Hamilton, his master. On which Mr. Houston, the defendant, came down, crumpled the bill up, and threw it at the complainant, and while the complainant was picking up the bill, defendant kicked him three times. Rama Narayen, whom complainant called as a witness, corroborated as to the bill being thrown at complainant, and after which he was led by the hand by the defendant to the gateway, and ordered to leave the compound. This closed the case for the prosecution. Miss Fraser, a teacher in the Diocesan School who witnessed the transaction, was called for the defence, and her statement corroborated the statement made by the witness for the prosecution. At the close of this evidence, his Worship remarked that it was not necessary to call further evidence for the defence, and was satisfied from the evidence he had heard that no assault was committed of such a nature for the complainant to seek redress at a Police Court and dismissed the case. Mr. Smith applied that complainant should bear the costs in this action on the grounds that this charge was framed evidently to aggravate his client. The Magistrate declined to grant the request.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

Excerpts from the proceedings of a meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay held on the 20th instant.

Submitted a proposed bye-law regarding the transhipment and landing of gunpowder, which has been approved of by the Harbour and Pilotage Committee.

Resolution.—The following bye-law is sanctioned by the Trustees:—

"The attention of commanders of vessels with gunpowder on board is called to the Port rule regarding powder."

"Boats with powder on board are not permitted to lie in the vicinity of any vessel or of the foreshore, under a penalty of not less than Rs. 100, but must remain at anchor one mile eastward of the Middle Ground Battery, or, in bad weather, ½ a mile eastward of the shipping off Cross Island, till orders are received from the Arsenal authorities for the landing of the powder."

"Powder can only be shipped or landed in decked boats with closed hatches, and these boats must fly a red flag night and day, and no fires or lights can be allowed as long as powder is on board."

Read letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 24th May, stating that much inconvenience and discomfort are felt by native passengers landing and embarking at Apollo, Boree, Nicol and Mody Bay Bunders, from the absence of shed accommodation for them, and he suggests that resting sheds be put up at the bunders named.

Submitted plan and estimate of a shed for Nicol Bunder prepared by the Chief Engineer at the instance of the Bunders Committee. The estimate amounts to Rs. 1,224.

Resolution.—Sanctioned. To be provided for in next supplemental estimate.

Read letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 1st July, intimating that Goolam Hoosein, to whom the Trustees on 4th March 1876, agreed to lease 133 3/9 square yards of land on Elphinstone Estate now declines to have the land, and forwarding a letter from Dharsey Luckumsey offering to take up the area referred to, as well as 1,800 square feet additional on the same terms as were agreed with Goolam Hoosein.

The Land Committee recommend that the application of Dharsey Luckumsey be refused.

The Committee also consider that land to the west of Argyll Road should not be leased on terms less favourable to the Trustees than the following:—

Leases not to exceed 50 years. Rent to be Re. 1 per square yard per annum for first 20 years and Re. 1-8 per square yard per annum for remaining 30 years.

Resolution.—The recommendation of the Land Committee is agreed to.

Read letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 1st July, recommending that ground on the Elphinstone Estate, west of Frere Road, be let out on leases of 50 years, giving lessees permission to build warehouses for the storage of any description of goods except grain; and permitting the lessees, at the expiry of the term either to remove their buildings or to continue tenants of the Trust at a rent to be then arranged. The rent for 60 years to be as follows:

Re. 1 per square yard per annum for the first 10 years.				
Rs. 1-8	,,	,,	,,	following ,,
Rs. 2	,,	,,	,,	for the remaining 30 do.

The Traffic Manager states that if land be taken upon these conditions and warehouses be built by lessees, it will do away with the need for the Trustees erecting godowns, and he enumerates the other advantages which he expects to be derived from the proposal if adopted.

The Land Committee recommend the Traffic Manager's proposal to the Trustees for adoption, the land to be offered being that situated to the west of the Frere Road and between the Masjid and Nicol Bunder Railway sidings.

Resolution.—The proposition of the Land Committee is agreed to, except that the land to be offered should be all that situated to the west of the Frere Road.

Read letter from the Traffic Manager dated 8th July, forwarding application from Messrs. Volkart Brothers for a lease for 1 year of 4 additional godowns at Carnac Bunder at Rs. 45 per mensem each.

The Land Committee recommend that the lease be granted.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

Read letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 17th July, reporting his having sold the right of grazing cattle on the Fort Trust property from Colaba to Tank Bunder for the season for Rs. 950 to Madowjee Anrajee.

Resolution.—Approved.

Submitted the following leases:—

Gunnee Saccoor,	1,500	sq. ft.	of land at	Timber Bazaar.
Hubib Salla,	1,900	,,	,,	,,
Abdoolla Aile,	1,500	,,	,,	,,
Essack Tyob,	1,000	,,	,,	,,

Messrs. Finlay, Scott and Co., 2 godowns.

These were signed by Chairman and by 2 Trustees, and the Secretary was ordered to affix to them the seal of the Trust.

Read letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 20th July, reporting that Messrs. Sassoon and Co. have given notice by "criers" that the wharfage fee on opium to be charged at their dock will be 4 annas per chest, and that in consequence a diversion of the traffic has already commenced to take place. He therefore urges on the Trustees the advisability of reducing their wharfage fee to 2 annas per chest in order to secure the opium shipped by other firms than that of Messrs. Sassoon and Co. He considers that the difference of 4 annas between the proposed Port Trust rate and the Sassoon Dock rate will be met by the cost of cart hire and by the inconvenience which merchants will experience in shipping from the Sassoon Dock.

Resolution.—The wharfage fee on opium should be at once reduced to 8 annas per chest.

Government should be asked to sanction the reduction.

The following were amongst the papers laid on the table.

Government Resolution No. 986, dated 7th July, concurring in the opinion expressed by the Chief Engineer of the Trust and others who had been consulted that it is undesirable to substitute mineral oils for cocoanut oil for use at light houses.

Correspondence forwarded by the Deputy Conservator on 18th July between the Superintendent of Marine, Government and himself, which intimates that he considers the Dagmar in her present condition better suited for work outside the harbour than the Dromedary.

PILOTAGE STATEMENT WEEK TO 18TH JULY 1876.

11	Vessels	piloted	into harbour.
7	,,	,,	out of ,,
3	,,	transported.	

THE DISTURBANCES IN THE PALITANA STATE.

(FROM OUR OWN REPORTER.)

TRIAL OF THE PRISONERS.

SONGHUR, 15TH JULY.

To-day's proceedings were interesting, as being devoted to taking the statements of the prisoners. Some of them had given accounts of the affair in January, a few days after the occurrence, when Captain Hunter was making a political inquiry into the matter. Many of the statements now made differed materially from the former depositions, and several of the prisoners accounted for the discrepancies by stating that they had been beaten by the Thakore's agents, and tutored to say what they did say before Captain Hunter in January. One prisoner said that after he was captured in the fields,—whither he had fled because he was afraid of the Durbaree soldiers, although he had taken no part in the disturbance,—the Thakore's men who caught him tied his hands, and one of them cut him on the back with his sword, besides otherwise ill-treating him. The truth of the man's statement was in a measure corroborated by the Assistant Surgeon at the Songhur Hospital, who was referred to by him, and who, on being called, said he saw the prisoner with a wound on his back while he was a prisoner in the Palitana gaol. The agents of the Thakore who are engaged in the conduct of the prosecution must have been fully aware of this piece of unwarrantable cruelty, but it was carefully concealed from the court throughout the hearing of their case. The incident has an important bearing, as showing that it was apparently not without grounds that the Girassias feared to submit themselves to the tender mercies of the Thakore's troops.

At the opening of the Court this morning,

Mr. Branson applied that three witnesses for the defence—Gajee Waghoo, Ramdas Charon, and Sams Bing,—who were in irons in the custody of the Thakore, should be transferred to the British Thanna, and kept there until the conclusion of the trial. He also asked that their irons might be removed while they were there.

Mr. Payne said he was informed that these men were not in irons. He left the question as to their being handed over to the custody of the British Thanna entirely to his Honour.

Mr. Branson said if the men were not in irons now, they had been till very recently. They were certainly in irons two or three days ago.

His Honour said that without reflecting on the treatment they might receive from the Thakore's officials, he thought they might be removed to the British Thanna until they had given their evidence.

The Court then proceeded to examine the prisoners.

Prisoner No. 1 (Purtab Singh), when examined before Captain Hunter in January, said he had been living in Timba two and a half months at the time the Durbaree soldiers were sent there. He had left his own village of Positra, because there was a scarcity of fodder. On the morning of the fight, Mohobat went out armed with a double barrelled gun, and sat on a stone in front of the Palitana men, and began twisting his moustache, and when they threatened to disarm him, he dared them to do so, and made use of an obscene expression. The Durbaree men then ran towards him, and he retreated to the Deli, turning before he entered the gate, and fired at his pursuers, whereupon the Girassias' men fired from inside the Deli, and the Durbaree sepoys replied.

Purtab Singh was now reminded of his former statement, and said—I should like to make an explanation. (At the prisoner's request, his former statement was read to him in Guzerattee.) On the morning of the fight, before sunrise, I went to the fulwaddy, and I do not know what happened at the Deli afterwards. I hid myself in the fulwaddy, and did not leave it till night. I saw my servant Bhoja in the fulwaddy, having sent him there before me. No Durbaree came into the fulwaddy during the day. At night, I left the fulwaddy, and escaped. I had heard firing, and was afraid to go back to the Deli. I saw some Girassias and their men—Mumoobhai, Goman Singh, Radhoba, and others, numbering altogether 20 or 25—passed by the fulwaddy, and I joined them to escape. Mumoobhai and Goman Singh told us all to go wherever we liked, and try to save our lives, and said they had no intention to go into outlawry. In the afternoon of the next day we separated, and I went towards my native village. There is a tobacco plantation between the fulwaddy I hid in and the village.

Bhoja, prisoner No. 2, and servant to Purtab Singh, said his former statement was correct, viz., that he went to the fulwaddy from the Deli at midnight on the night before the fight, and that the next day he ran away, leaving his master at Timba.

Jhalam Singh (prisoner No. 3) had stated when examined before Captain Hunter, a few days after the disturbance, that he and the other Girassias did not want to resist the Government order, but only said the Durbaree men should not enter the Deli. When Mohobat went outside on the morning of the fight, he was brushing his teeth on the chopat, and Mohobat was also cleaning his teeth. He did not know who fired first; he was captured before any shots were fired. When he was taken, he had a

the rule recently adopted in favour of persons who have hitherto acted as suit brokers about the precincts of the Court. It is of the highest importance that the practice of touting should be discouraged as far as possible and His Honor believes that much benefit to the public will ultimately result from a rigid adherence to the rule that has been laid down, that no law agent should be recognised by the Court who is not authorized to act in the High Court and in the courts subordinate to it.

10. The receipts of the year from different sources amounted to Rs. 1,99,256 as against Rs. 2,46,575. On the other hand, the item of house rent has entirely disappeared from the list of disbursements, and the circumstance, in conjunction with a large saving in the salaries of the judges and in the contingent charges, has resulted in a decrease of nearly Rs. 20,000 in the expenditure. The net sum to be credited to the General Revenues amounted to Rs. 47,201 as against Rs. 33,321 in the previous year.

11. The Lieutenant-Governor fully concurs with the remarks recorded by the judges as regards the lamented death of the late First judge, Mr. G. S. Fagan. The Court has lost in Mr. Fagan the services of an eminent and careful Judge, who presided over it with great ability for many years.

TRAVANCORE GLAZED POTTERY.

It is pleasing to record that Travancore is the first Indian province which bids fair to take the lead in the perfection of an art as useful to the country as it is interesting to the chemist and mechanic. The construction of the "Napier Museum" in Trevandrum—an edifice that will eclipse by its beauty and elegance everything that has ever been attempted in the domain of architecture in Travancore—has stimulated the latent fires of indigenous genius; and what has never been achieved in any Indian School of industry or academy of art has been triumphantly accomplished in Travancore through the liberal patronage of the Maharajah, the enlightened encouragement of Dewan Shashia Shastri, and the humble instrumentality of the Travancore Mint Superintendent, T. Sooba Row.

A pottery and kiln have been erected in Trevandrum for the purpose of making the order of bricks and tiles for the "Napier Museum;" and the Dewan, with that prudence which characterizes the bulk of his selections for public offices, placed T. Sooba Row, the Superintendent of the Travancore Mint, who had studied chemistry, mechanism, and assaying in the Madras Mint, in charge of the department, which was intended to carry out this new industry. A perfectly durable tile glazed in any tints one may wish can now be turned out in the Travancore Glazing Pottery; and it is determined to tile the roof of the "Napier Museum" entirely with materials manufactured in the Travandrum Pottery—an achievement in the realm of architecture with which as yet no Indian town or province can be credited. We had the pleasure of inspecting the Pottery ourselves and of watching each process from the digging of the rude clay from its native earth to the glazing of the fashioned tiles in the glazing kiln. The entire process is invested with the greatest interest, and we felt gratified to watch the various steps by which ordinary labourers on the smallest possible wages attain to perfection in so intricate an art. We have seen nine different specimens of the glazed tile, and they are all handsome and well adopted to the purposes for which they were designed. We shall briefly describe each below:—

No. 1—Straw-coloured and sky blue, giving the effect of a beautiful blue cloud resting on the roof.
No. 2—Japan black, precisely of the kind of Jars imported from Arabia and the Persian Gulf.
No. 3—Plain straw colour.
No. 4—Straw colour and brown intermingling.
No. 5—A rich golden brown.
No. 6—A yellow ground with the shank surrounded by a garland painted in moss green.
No. 7—Yellow with white and green flowers.
No. 8—An entirely moss green tile, splendidly adapted for roofing buildings whose antiquity entitles them to preservation.
No. 9—A white tile, looking exactly like the common kind of China jars, with a tree and green rushes rudely painted on it.

The establishment is yet in its infancy. Its virgin returns are in the highest degree promising; and to the Maharajah and the Dewan, whose enlightened patronage called the institution into being, we would most strongly recommend its continuance and extension. In another paper we shall indicate how we consider this industry might be promoted to benefit the country, and to reflect credit on the administration already justly lauded for progress and enlightenment—*Western Star.*

EUROPEAN AND OTHER EXTRACTS

THE LISBON STEAM TRAMWAYS.

(Examiner.)

THE case of Twycross against Grant and others again stands adjourned until the 7th of next month. The trial, it may be remembered, commenced on Friday, May 26, before Lord Chief Justice Coleridge and a special jury at the Guildhall, and occupied the Court for the whole of that day and the Monday following. On the Tuesday morning, in the ordinary course, Sir Henry James would have commenced his summing-up. Upon the assembling of the Court, however, it appeared that one of the jurors was absent, and satisfactory evidence was given that he was suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism. The case was accordingly adjourned to the next Friday, and thence again until Wednesday morning last, from which it now, as we have said, stands again adjourned to next Friday fortnight. Even thus, it seems very doubtful whether Mr. Trinder, the gentleman whose unfortunate illness is the cause of the delay, will be sufficiently recovered to resume his duties, and whether the cause will not finally have to stand over to the Michaelmas sittings. It is a singular fact that in the Judicature Act as it originally stood, a clause was inserted to empower the Judge in civil cases, should one or more of the jury be incapacitated during the progress of the trial, to order the case to proceed with the diminished number of jurors, and to take their verdict. For some reason or other, this valuable provision has no place in the Act as it at present stands, and the consequence is that the unfortunate illness of one gentleman out of the twelve bids fair to render altogether abortive proceedings which have entailed enormous expenditure of time, money, and trouble, and upon the issue of which many thousands of pounds depend. There is only one out of the many defects and omissions which will, before long, render a short Act in emendation of the Judicature Act absolutely necessary.

It is a very salutary rule that the press should altogether abstain from comment upon any case which is still *sub judice;* and in the present instance, even although the defendants, Messrs. Grant Brothers and Messrs. Edwin Clark, Punchard, and Co., have thought fit to withdraw, and to leave the case absolutely undefended, it does not on that account follow that a verdict must of necessity be found against them, nor has the press any right whatever to forecast or anticipate the conclusions at which the jury may ultimately arrive. Sworn evidence, however, when it has been actually given, is matter *publici juris;* and in the course of the present case, several undoubted facts have come out with reference to the formation and history of the Lisbon Steam Tramways Company (Limited), which are of more than usual interest. It seems that in the spring of the year 1871, the Duc de Saldanha came to England as a representative of the kingdom of Portugal, and brought with him certain concessions for a line of steam tramways to run between Lisbon, Cascaes, and Cintra. As soon as he arrived in London, he obtained an introduction to Mr. Albert Grant, and Mr. Grant approved of the scheme, and at once invited a well-known firm of contractors, Messrs. Edwin Clark, Punchard, and Co., to tender for the construction of the line. A tender was sent in on June 3 for the construction of the entire line for the sum of 307,000*l.* Subsequently, however, the mileage was reduced from 120 miles to 52, and it was then agreed that the contract should stand for 309,000*l.* Behind this agreement, however, was another, which was not published in the prospectus, and the withholding of which from the public amounted—it is alleged on behalf of the plaintiff—to a fraud upon the shareholders. The terms of this secret contract were in effect that Mr. Albert Grant was to receive back from Messrs. Clark, Punchard, and Co., no less a sum than 45,800*l* out of the 309,000*l* which they were to receive for the construction of the line. In addition to this 22,000*l* was to go to the Duc de Saldanha and 7,000*l* to M. Larmanjat the patentee of the system upon which the tramway was to be worked. These arrangements having been entered into, Mr. Albert Grant got together a board of directors, who, on the day that they first took their seats, had absolutely no interest whatever in the company, but were simply the nominees of Messrs. Grant Brothers, and Messrs Edwin Clark, Punchard, and Co. The first thing these directors did, after a discussion which, according to the evidence of Mr. Keith, the secretary of the company, lasted about a couple of hours, was to sign the contract between the company on the one hand, and Messrs. Clark, Punchard, and Co., on the other, for 309,000*l.* Mr. Punchard himself was present at this meeting and either he or some one else seems to have brought the contract into the room fairly drawn and ready for signature. The directors, in short, were expected to sign it, and did sign it and as far as can be made out from Mr. Keith's evidence, not a word was said about the preliminary arrangements between Mr. Albert Grant, Messrs. Clark, Punchard, and Co. and the Duc de Saldanha; nor was any estimate before the board as to the value of the work to be done and the price to be charged for it, or any survey of the road or report as to the practicability of the line. It would, in short, seem as if from such evidence as there was before them, the directors might just as well have been signing a contract for the Intercoceanic Ship Railway of His Excellency Don Carlos Gutierrez, or for a line of steam tramways between Valparaiso and the summits of the Andes. At the same meeting the same directors appear to have approved the prospectus, which was accordingly issued to the public, and all that then remained was to float the company. This part of the work seems to have been left to Mr. Albert Grant, who managed it with his accustomed ability, and in a very few days a very considerable proportion of the 20,000 shares, of 10*l.* each, were allotted. It appears, indeed, according to the evidence of Mr. Keith, that the company received altogether about 250,000*l.* for such of its shares and debentures as were taken up. Meantime, its present balance is, it seems, rather less than 30*l.* How this comes to be the case was explained by Mr. Keith with admirable clearness. It seems that, after the contract had been signed, it was considered upon the whole advisable to send out a Mr. Trevithick, an engineer, to report as to whether it was possible to construct the line at all. This gentleman reported that the portion of the line from Lisbon to Cascaes was a perfect impossibility, on account of the steepness of the gradient, while even for the portion between Cascaes and Cintra the difficulties were practically insuperable. It is only due to Mr. Albert Grant to state that, as soon as this discouraging news was made known, he strongly advised that a circular should be sent out at once, informing the shareholders of the difficulties discovered, and returning them their money with interest, and that due notification of this should be given to the Stock Exchange to prevent further dealing in the stock. "My advice," he wrote to Messrs. Clark, Punchard, and Co., "is to return the money without one moment's delay. The first loss we may make in consequence, I cannot help thinking, will be less than if the scheme is proceeded with." It is a pity for everybody concerned that this admirable warning was not taken. For reasons which are not fully explained, and into which it is unnecessary to enter, the directors determined, in spite of Mr. Trevithick's report and Mr. Albert Grant's warning, to proceed with the line, and to allow the public to invest its money in an undertaking which the company's own engineer had expressly pronounced to be impossible. Two of the directors, it is true, as soon as they discovered the state of affairs, returned the qualification money which had been found for them, and washed their hands of the affair. The remainder of the board, however, held on; and Mr. Albert Grant himself, when he found that his advice was refused, continued to lend himself to the scheme. How much of the line was ever actually laid, or what traffic there was over it, we do not exactly know; but it seems, as far as can be made out, that the company went on paying money to Messrs. Clark, Punchard, and Co., on account of their contract, and sending money out to Portugal for the expenses of construction and working, until it had no more money left, and that it then resignedly went into liquidation. In the course of the liquidation, the true history of the company came out, and then it was that several of the shareholders determined to see whether they could not recover their money from the defendants in the present case on the ground that the initial contracts had been fraudulently withheld from them. The jury will ultimately have to decide whether the contracts in question do, or do not, come within the range of the 38th section of the Companies' Acts of 1867, and, if so, whether the defendants were, or were not, parties to their omission from the prospectus. We have no wish, as we have said, to anticipate their finding, although it is a significant fact that the defendants announced themselves willing to consent to a verdict without having the case gone into upon its merits—a course to which Sir Henry James very properly declined to lend himself. Even, however, if a verdict be returned against Mr. Grant, it may be questioned, upon the whole history of the case, whether the persons who ought really to be made responsible are not the directors, who, in spite of Mr. Trevithick's report, persisted in allowing the company to continue its operations. How far any means exist for bringing the conduct of these gentlemen before a court of law is, no doubt, a very difficult question, but there can be but one opinion as to their conduct; and the history of the Lisbon Steam Tramways Company is only another chapter in the long record of warnings which the public has already had against guinea-pig directors. Meantime it is amusing to notice that all kinds of schemes have been since suggested for what is pleasantly described as "the reconstitution of the company upon an improved basis," and "a gentleman of considerable eminence" is at present in Portugal engaged in the somewhat vague operation known as "protecting the interests of the shareholders. The best way for the shareholders in this unfortunate concern to protect their interests is to pay up such calls, if any, as may yet have to be made upon them, and to have no more to do either with the Lisbon Steam Tramways Company (Limited) itself, or with any other scheme, however ingenious, for its resuscitation upon an improved basis.

SOME LIONS.

(The Globe.)

THE London season of this year will probably be noted hereafter for one peculiarity. It has not been particularly gay, or brilliant, or extravagant, neither is it likely to be remembered for any very remarkable social event. Except that a yearling foal fetched something over four thousand guineas at auction, and some puzzle-headed purloiner stole a picture that he could not possibly turn t profitable use, it is difficult to recal a single occurrence out of the common. The only singularity is that society has been compelled to carry on its affairs without a lion of any description. It was fondly hoped that the Prince would be either accompanied or followed by some interesting specimens of the tribe. This expectation has not been fulfilled. His Royal Highness certainly brought back in his suite two native aide-de-camps, of good birth and polished manners, who in their time have done faithful service for England. One of these, Afzul Khan Bahadoor, is a man of mark independently of his position in the Indian army, being son of a late Prime Minister of Afghanistan and brother-in-law to the present Ameer. But London society is hypercritical in this matter of lions. It demands something more than illustrious descent and eminent services. To assuage its famine hunger, a lion must be "interesting" on account of some peculiar proclivity. If the Patriarch of Utah, the illustrious Brigham Young, could be prevailed upon to visit the metropolis of the British Philistines, we doubt not that he would come in for success. We have had plenty of polygamous Orientals among us before now, but it would be a pleasing novelty to shake hands with a Western, who placed his faith in a multiplicity of wives. Brigham, unfortunately, has his hand too full of trouble—no wonder—to admit of his causing a flutter among Belgravian dovecots, and longing London, therefore, turns its eyes in vain towards the virtuous City of the Saints. At one time it was expected that Sir Salar Jung would develop into a full-sized lion the moment he reached Piccadilly. Those who indulged in this hope reckoned without their host. The astute Mahomedan probably has other and more pratical purposes in view than to enact the part of Bottom, by "roaring as gently as any sucking dove," for the edification of idle people. Besides, he has legitimate personal claims on English favour, a great demerit in a candidate for leonine honours.

Carrying the memory back for forty or fifty years, some rather queer animals are found included in the list of fashionable lions. To begin with, there was Rajah Rammohun Roy, who, in company with his son, landed in England so long ago as 1831. A curious personage this illustrious Hindoo, and not unworthy of some veneration had it only been intelligent. Few rich Bengalis would care to leave their luxurious homes for the sole purpose of investigating the inner mysteries of their faith among the fierce people of Thibet. Fewer still would have the moral courage to sacrifice social position and the esteem of friends by publicly declaring Hindooism false and Christianity true. This the Rajah did, and it is no wonder, therefore that he was greatly lionised on his arrival in England. Then too, his remarks were so charmingly naive and refreshing. "How much do you pay them?" he is reported to have said to Sir Anthony Carlisle at a ball, when that eminent physician was drawing the Indian reformer's attention to the gracefulness of the dancers. It was in the hearing either of the Rajah or his son that the same medical magnate, who himself was a small lion, suffered from the sharp tongue of a sprightly lady of fashion. "They call me the Company's doctor, the Company praise me," said Sir Anthony pompously in allusion to the presentation to him of a silver salve by that corporation. "But what do the noble army of martyrs, your patients, say, doctor?" demurely asked the lady. The next London lion of distinction who comes readily to memory, was of a different sort to the originator of the Bramo Somaj. Ibrahim Pasha cared little about Christan or any other religious ethics. His one thought was the aggrandisement of his family, which he sought to compass by completely serfing Egypt from Turkey. A fierce soldier and an able was the son of Mehemet Ali; a warrior whose sword grew restless in its scabbard on the slightest occasion. But for the intervention of Russia in 1839, and of the allied Powers some years afterwards, Ibrahim Pasha would almost certainly have borne his banners to the Bosphorus. No wonder, therefore, that when he landed in England the British public went wild about the great Egyptian general of whose cruelties in the Morea during the struggle for Greek independence such thrilling stories were told. No sooner did he reach London in 1846 than he was instantly domesticated as "Abraham Parker," and crowds rushed to see the doughty warrior who had dared to face the power of England on more than one occasion. Almost equally interesting was the next lion.

If half the tales current about Jung Bahadoor were to be believed, society could not but regard him as one of the most "faultless monsters the world e'er saw." What extraordinary rumours did fly round town in those days about "the new Police Ambassador," as the Nepaulese Prime Minister soon came to be styled! He was the most wonderful shot in the world; he could lift an ordinary sized man by the waistband in either hand, and knock their heads together over his own; he had vaulted on to the back of a gigantic horse then on exhibition at a single bound; he possessed enormous wealth and did not shrink from spending it lavishly on his private pleasures. But more interesting than all, he was reported to have made his way to power by killing every rival who stood in the path. Altogether, a most agreeable lion, of strong individuality and charming manners, whose little peculiarities merely served to mark his superiority. Next, we had Abdal Aziz, the late Sultan; saturnine, impassive; a very grand lion, but one could never tell whether he was going to bite or to sleep. About the same time came Ismail Pasha, that most agreeable of monarchs, who showed unfeigned delight with England, and perpetually purred in a truly feline way.

When it was known that the Shah of Persia would shortly visit England, people who remembered Jung Bahadoor expected to see another Rustom of the Nepaulese type. They were disappointed. The "descendant of Xerxes," as he was called, proved merely funny. There was nothing heroic either in the sap ct or attributes of that somewhat attenuated and very swarthy potentate. Nor, after the first novelty of the thing wore off, did society quite appreciate some of his courtesies to ladies at dinner parties. But the most killing rumour for his reputation as a lion was that he looked rather too closely after his cash. Among other incidents that led to this conclusion in the public mind there was the financial hitch that occurred in connection with a pugilistic tourney which he had expressly ordered. He liked the exhibition well enough; it stirred his languid pulse to see the grim visaged "pugs" batter one another; he is even reported to have made overtures to a distinguished professor of the art to instruct the rising youth of Persia in the mysteries of fisticuffs. But when it came to a question of payment a most unlionlike attempt was made to reduce the amount demanded. "Not the same family, spite of the name," indignantly declared a retired hero of the ring who was then reclining on his laurels in the vicinity of St. Martin's-lane. "We're both shaws; but I am Jimmy and he ain't." After this it required but a high lady of fashion to say, "The poor Shah; he really believes himself to be somebody," to send the "descendant of Xerxes" back to his native country. Among minor lions, have we not had a dusky Queen from the South Sea Islands whose ancestors may have eaten and—what is perhaps more remarkable still—digested missionaries. The Seyyid of Zanzibar was rather too humble to perform the leonine character successfully. Besides, there was no evidence to prove that he had ever done any very heroic things in the assassination line. Perhaps he might have occasionally dabbled in such amusements; but the British public is exacting, and refuses full honours to mere tyros of murder. It is to be trusted that this fact will be borne in mind by importers of future lions. There is, and probably always will be, a lively market in England for such animals, but it seems absolutely necessary nowadays that they should have manslaughtering proclivities. Baboo Keshub Chundur Sen was, for instance, a very fair imitation of Rajah Rammohun Roy, barring the originality and disinterestedness of that reformer. But he met with but a lukewarm reception in comparison. What society wants is a man like Yakoob Khan, of Kashgar, or his amiable son; or better still, the King of Dahomey. They would be lions indeed.

HARRIET MARTINEAU.

(Daily News.)

AN AUTOBIOGRAPHIC MEMOIR.

WE regret to announce the death of Miss Harriet Martineau, which took place at her residence, The Knoles, Ambleside, on Tuesday night, at five minutes before eight o'clock. The following memoir, though written in the third person, was from her own pen. The frankness of its self-criticism makes it necessary to guard the reader against confounding her own strict and sometimes disparaging judgment of herself with the impressions made by her upon others.

Harriet Martineau was born in 1802, in the city of Norwich, where the first of the name settled in 1688. David Martineau, the earliest of whom any record remains, was a French Protestant, who came over on the revocation of the Edict of Nantes. He married a French lady, whose family emigrated in the same ship; and pursued his profession as a surgeon in Norwich, where a succession of surgeons of the name existed till the death of the most eminent of them, Philip Meadows Martineau (the uncle of Harriet), in 1828. He was considered the most eminent provincial surgeon of his day. The eldest brother of Harriet—a man of qualifications so high as to promise to sustain the honour of his name and profession in the old city—died before the age of thirty, and only one member of the family now remains in the city where many generations grew up. Harriet was the third daughter, and the sixth of eight children of Thomas Martineau, who was a manufacturer of the Norwich staples—bombazine and camlet. His acquaintance with Dr. Parr was kept up and signalised by the gift of a black camlet study-gown every year or so, a piece of the right length being woven expressly for the doctor and dyed with due care.

There was nothing remarkable about the childhood and youth of any of Thomas Martineau's children, unless in the case of Thomas, the eldest son, already referred to. His scholarship was of a high quality, and his mind was altogether of the rare ripeness and richness which comes of the equable cultivation of the intellectual and moral nature. The remarkable feature of the family story, in those days, was the steady self-denial, and clear, inflexible purpose with which the parents gave their children the best education which they could, by all honourable means, command. In those times of a* and middle-class adversity, the parents understood their position, and took care that their children should understand it, telling them that there was no chance of wealth for them, and about an equal probability of a competence or of poverty; and that they must, therefore, regard their education as their only secure portion. Harriet came in for her share of this advantage, being well furnished with Latin and French (to which in due time she added Italian and German), and exercised in composition as well as reading in her own language and others. The whole family, trained by parental example, were steady and conscientious workers; but there were no tokens of unusual ability in Harriet during any part of her childhood or youth. Her health was bad, her tone of spirits low; her habit of mind anxious, and her habits of life silent, and as independent as they could be under the old-fashioned family rule of strictness and the strong hand. At her entrance upon womanhood a deafness, unperceived during her childhood and slight in youth, was aggravated by a kind of accident, and became so severe as to compel (for other people's accommodation as well as her own) the use of a trumpet for the rest of her life. This misfortune, no doubt, strengthened her habits of study, and had much to do with the marking out of her career. What other effects it produced upon her she has shown in her "Letter to the Deaf."

Her first appearance in print was before she was out of her teens, in a religious periodical; the same in which the late Judge Talfourd had made his early attempts, not very long before. Not only her contributions to the *Monthly Repository* but her first books were of a religious character, her cast of mind being more decidedly of the religious order than any other during the whole of her life, whatever might be the basis and scope of her ultimate opinions. Her latest opinions were, in her own view, the most religious—the most congenial with the emotional as well as the rational department of human nature. In her youth she naturally wrote what she had been brought up to believe, and her first work, "Devotional Exercises," was thoroughly orthodox. Of these, and indeed of all her early writings, the only one worth mention is the little volume "Traditions of Palestine," which first fixed attention upon her, and made her name known in the reviews. There are some even now who prefer that little volume to all her other writings. Before it was out its writer had formed the conception of the very different kind of work which at once and completely opened her career, her "Illustrations of Political Economy." Her stimulus in all she wrote, from first to last, was simply the need of utterance. This need she had gratified early; and those who knew her best were always aware that she was not ambitious, though she enjoyed success, and had pride enough to have suffered keenly under failure. When, in 1829, she and her sisters lost their small fortunes by the failure of the house in which their money was placed, Harriet continued to write as she had written before—though under the new liability of having no money to spend upon venture. Without capital, without any literary connections (except the editor of the *Monthly Repository*), without any visible means of accomplishing her object, she resolved to bring out a series of "Illustrations of Political Economy," confident that the work was at that time (1831) very much needed by the working classes, to say nothing of other persons who had influence in the community, against it as then was by the Reform struggle. That Reform struggle, and the approach of the cholera on its first visit, made the booksellers disinclined to publish anything. Messrs. Baldwin and Cradock had all but consented to the scheme, and had in fact engaged a stitcher for the monthly volumes, when they took fright and drew back. Harriet Martineau's forthcoming Autobiography will of course tell the story of the struggle she passed through to get her work published in any manner and on any terms. Almost every considerable publisher had refused it—the Diffusion Society had declined it, on the report of their sub-committee against it. It appeared, however, at the beginning of 1832, when its writer was worn out with anxiety and fatigue, and had met with uniform discouragement, except in her own home, where her own confidence that the book would succeed, because it was wanted, commanded the sympathy of her family. In a fortnight after the day of publication her way was open before her for life. The work reached a circulation of about 10,000 in the next few years. The difficulties under which it appeared prevented her being enriched by it; and her own unalterable view of what it could, and what it could not effect, prevented her expecting too much from it, either in regard to its social operation or its influence on her own fame. The original idea of exhibiting the great natural laws of society, by a series of pictures of selected social action, was a fortunate one; and her tales initiated a multitude of novels in the description of what political economy is, and of how it concerns everybody living in society. Beyond this, there is no merit of a high order in the work. It did not pretend to offer discoveries, or new applications or elucidations of prior discoveries. It popularised, in a fresh form, some doctrines and many truths long before made public by others. Those were the days of her success in narrative—in fiction. In about ten years from that time she had nearly ceased to write fiction, from simple inability to do it well. On the whole, perhaps, her novel of "Deerbrook" has been the most popular of her works of fiction, though some prefer her history (in the form of a romance) of Toussaint L'Ouverture ("The Hour and the Man,") and others again her story-book for children, written in illness—"The Playfellow." But none of her novels or tales have, or ever had, in the eyes of good judges or in her own, any character of permanence. The artistic aim and qualifications were absent; she had no power of dramatic construction; nor the poetic inspiration on the one hand, nor critical balance on the other, without which no work of the imagination can be worthy to live. Two or three of her Political Economy Tales are, perhaps, her best achievement in fiction—her doctrine furnishing the plot which she was unable to create, and the brevity of space duly restricting the indulgence in detail which injured her longer narratives, and in part warned her to leave off writing them. It was fortunate for her that her own condemnation anticipated that of the public. To the end of her life she was subject to solicitations to write more novels and more tales; but she for the most part remained steady in her refusal. Her three volumes of "Forest and Game Law Tales" and a few stories in *Household Words*, written at the express and earnest request of Mr. Dickens, and with little satisfaction to herself, are her latest efforts in that direction.*

Her popularity was, however, something extraordinary during the appearance of her "Illustrations of Political Economy." It was presently necessary for her to remove to London, to be within reach of the sources of information rendered indispensable by the success of her scheme and the extension of her influence. She lived in a lodging in Conduit-street for some months till her mother joined her in London. Their house was in Fludyer-street, Westminster; and there they lived till a serious and long illness compelled Harriet Martineau to leave London, to which she never returned as a resident. On her first taking up her abode there many foolish stories were afloat about the origin of her series, and the aid she received in it from Lord Brougham and others. The facts were that the enterprise was wholly her own, and the execution of it also; and that Lord Brougham in particular knew nothing whatever about her or her work till his secretary sent him the first five numbers half a year after the publication began. His lordship's first thought was to engage her assistance in illustrating the evils of the old Poor-law and the intended provisions of the new; and her four little volumes on the Poor-laws appeared during the publication of her larger work. The two years which followed her first great success were the busiest of a busy life. All advocates of all schemes applied to her for co-operation. She was plunged at once into such a social whirl that she dined out every day but Sundays. New material for her work was always accumulating on her hands; and besides the production of one number, and occasionally two, of her little volumes per month, she had an unmanageable amount of correspondence always pressing upon her. It was at that time that she formed the habit which she continued for the rest of her life—of sitting up late, while going on to rise early. She took, on an average, five hours or five and a half of sleep—going to bed at one in the morning, and being at her breakfast at half-past seven, to save the precious morning hours for her most serious business. Such was her practice, with few intervals, to the date of her last illness.

Before the publication of her work was completed she had sailed for America. At first her object was simply to travel for the sake of recreation and repose; but, at the suggestion of the late Lord Henley, she turned her face in the direction of the United States, in order to examine some points of social policy and morals, honourable to the Americans and worthy of our emulation, but generally overlooked by European travellers who go to amuse themselves, and return to quiz. She hoped to learn some secrets of success in the treatment of criminals, the insane, and other unhappy classes, and in the diffusion of education. She succeeded in her aims in some measure; but the interest of the anti-slavery question just at that time absorbed every other. She arrived just at the culmination of that reign of terror which she described after her return in the *Westminster Review*, in the narrative entitled "The Martyr Age of the United States," which was reprinted as a pamphlet, and by which the nature and significance of the anti-slavery movement in America (where it involved the entire political and personal liberty of every citizen) were first made known in this country. Harriet Martineau received with unbounded hospitality and unmeasured flatteries, though known to have written an anti-slavery story in her series, was not converted to the American view, as had been hoped and expected. Under circumstances in which she had no choice but to speak out she condemned slavery and its political consequences as before; and, for some months preceding her return, she was subjected to insult and injury, and was even for some weeks in danger of her life while travelling where the tar-barrel, the cowhide, and the pistol where the regiment prescribed for and applied to abolitionists, and threatened especially in her case. In her books upon America she said little or nothing of her personal share in the critical troubles of the time, because her purpose was, not to interest the public in her adventures, but to exhibit, without passion or prejudice, the actual condition of society in the United States. Its treatment of herself is rather a topic for her autobiography, and there, no doubt, it will be found.

(To be continued.)

* After the above was in the drawer of the *Daily News* office, she wrote some historical fiction for *Once a Week* against her own judgment, and only to gratify Mr. Evans and Mr. Lucas, the proprietor and editor of *Once a Week*.

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